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Development of Rail Line
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have received any proposal from the State Government of Kerala for the development of Kannur-Mattanur railway lines;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the current status of the proposals; and
(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a): Yes, Madam.
(b): Survey for Kannur-Mattanuar new line (23 Km) has been completed in January, 2013. Cost of this line has been assessed as ` 237 crore with rate of return of (-) 4%. The proposed new line could not be sanctioned due to unremunerative nature of the line and large number of ongoing new line projects.
However, an updating survey for this new line has been included in the Budget 2015-16 to explore traffic potential of the line and reassess its viability.
(c): Surveys require consultation with State Government, Traders & Industries, etc. for arriving at the traffic potential of the line to assess its viability. Since this is an extensive exercise, no time frame has been fixed for completion of this survey.
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